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by deleting the language after the enacting clause in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-307, is amended by deleting such section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

#### Section 55-4-307

Notwithstanding the provisions of §55-6-107, all revenues produced each fiscal year from the sale of cultural motor vehicle registration plates authorized by this part shall be allocated to the Tennessee arts commission created in title 4, chapter 20, except as expressly provided otherwise by this part.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

#### Section 55-4-3\_\_\_.

- (a) The department of safety is authorized to issue cultural plates containing no registration numbers or other identifying symbols to be displayed exclusively on the front of motor vehicles and for decorative purposes only. Such plates shall be of a distinctive design and shall in no instance imitate or duplicate the design of any currently issued special or cultural motor vehicle registration plate. Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize the use of a decorative cultural plate as a motor vehicle registration plate.
- (b) The fee for such decorative cultural plates shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) per plate.

  There shall be no limitation on the number of such plates that an applicant may purchase.

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- (c) The funds generated from the sale of such decorative cultural plates, after deducting the costs actually incurred by the department in producing such plates, shall be allocated as follows:
  - (1) Two dollars (\$2.00) per plate shall be allocated to the county clerk issuing such plate to defray administrative and processing costs; and
  - (2) The remainder of such funds shall be allocated to the Tennessee arts commission.
- (d) For each decorative cultural plate purchased by mail pursuant to this section, the respective county clerks of this state are authorized to impose and collect an additional fee of two dollars (\$2.00) per plate for postage and handling expenses.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-104(b), is amended by deleting from the second sentence thereof the language "handicapped drivers" wherever it appears and by substituting instead the language "disabled drivers".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(a)(5), is amended by deleting such subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(5) Disabled;

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(b)(1), is amended by deleting the language "handicapped," and by substituting instead the language "disabled,".

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(11), is amended by deleting such subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

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(11) Disabled - regular fee applicable to the vehicle, except as expressly provided otherwise by §55-21-103;

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-206(a), is amended by deleting the language "handicapped drivers," and by substituting instead the language "disabled drivers.".

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-224, is amended by deleting the language "handicapped drivers" and by substituting instead the language "disabled drivers".

SECTION 9. The commissioner of safety is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this act. All such rules and regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 5.

SECTION 10. For the purpose of promulgating rules and regulations, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect July 1, 1997.

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